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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

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HYDROGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

The finished Hydrographic Sheet is to be accompanied by the following title sheet, filled in as completely as possible, when the sheet is forwarded to the Office.

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Register No. 3969

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Chief of party John A. Daniels

Surveyed by John A. Daniels, B. C. Freeman.

Date of survey December 1, 1916 to March 6, 1917.

Scale 1: 20,000

Soundings in feet

Plane of reference 2 feet below M. L. L. W.

Protracted by B.C.F., W.O.H. Soundings in pencil by B.C.F., W.O.H.

Inked by B.C.F., W.O.H. . . . Verified by . . .

Records accompanying sheet (check those forwarded):

Des. report, \_\_\_\_\_ Tide books, \_\_\_\_\_ Marigrams, 1 Boat sheets,

1 Sounding books, 4 Wire-drag books, \_\_\_\_\_ Photographs.

Data from other sources affecting sheet . . .

Remarks:

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT.

The area within the limits of this sheet includes Port Orchard from the entrance to Liberty (Dogfish) bay as far south as the entrance to Rich's Passage; and the area of Port Madison inshore from the twenty fathom curve from the entrance to Agate Passage as far as President Point and Point Monroe. Connection was made with the work on sheet 2 at each end of Agate Passage and with that on sheet 3 near entrance to Rich's Passage.

In general, the drag was passed so as to verify the three fathom curve. The drag was hooked shoal on the inshore end and deepened offshore as rapidly as was practicable.

The signals on the southern end of the sheet were all located by the Steamer McArthur during the 1915 season. Those on the northern end were located by this party during this season, a few by hydrographic and topographic methods, but the greater number by triangulation.

A depth of forty-five-feet or more was verified wherever this or greater depths existed.

Changes in the charted depths were located as follows:

A 17 foot sounding, muddy bottom, shows that the three fathom curve extends farther to the southward at this point. It is located by the following true azimuths and distances:

Tangent to Point Bolin	243°	.....	820 meters.	
Old Seabold dock house	118	.....	915 "	✓
New Seabold dock house	51	.....	1170 "	

A 20 foot sounding, hard bottom, is about 550 meters north of the point on the west side of entrance to Manzanita Bay. This locates the southeast end of a small sand ridge a few meters wide and about 50 meters long, which runs in a northwesterly direction. It is located by the following true bearings and distances:

Old Seabold dock house	190°	.....	1265 meters.	
Manzanita dock house	118	.....	800 "	✓
Flag pole on Venice dock	218	.....	950 "	

A 36 foot sounding, hard sand, is located about 600 meters north of the dock at Manzanita. It is located by the following true bearings and distances:

Battle Point	.....	210°	.....	1930 meters.	✓
Flag pole, Venice dock	...	1870	.....	565 "	
House Manzanita dock	.....	98	.....	1250 "	

70  
68 69  
71 71  
73 88

A 23 and a 24 foot sounding, hard sand, lie nearly in range between Point Bolin and Battle Point, and approximately one third the distance from Point Bolin. They are located as follows:

East tangent Point Bolin .....	07°	.....	1190 meters.	✓
House on Manzanita Dock .....	103	.....	2030 "	
Cupola of dock house P.C.T.S. 320 .....		.....	2690 "	✓

An 18 foot sounding, sand bottom, is about 200 meters north of the Venice dock. It shows that the three fathom curve extends farther off shore at this point than is shown on the chart.

A 23 foot sounding, muddy bottom, is almost directly west of Point Bolin and south of the Pacific Coast Torpedo Station. It marks the location of the northernmost buoy on the torpedo range. ✓

A boulder approximately 6 feet by 8 feet and 8 feet high bares about four feet. It is on range between the Torpedo station dock and a tangent to Point Bolin and nearly a third the distance from the dock. It is only 80 meters from the high water mark. This boulder has been struck several times by launches running to Poulsbo. It was reported as lying farther off shore and a special effort was made to locate it because of the publicity that had been given to its existence. ✓

A 12 foot sounding, hard bottom, is just outside the three fathom curve at the entrance to Fletcher's Bay. The sand has probably been washed out of the bay and has made the shoal extend farther off shore than shown by the chart. ✓

A number of small boulders lie to the southward off Jefferson Point, and were located by the drag. They are of little importance, however, since the soundings on them agree so well with the chart. ✓

In all cases, unless, otherwise noted in the records, one foot was taken off the length of upright for lift if the length of upright were less than 50 feet. Above 30 feet the uprights were long and no reduction for lift was made.

The sheet was plotted by B. C. Freeman, Aid, and Wilmer O. Hinkley, D.O.

The shore line was transferred from the chart.

TABLE OF STATISTICS, SHEET 18969

Date	Day	Vol. No.	Linear Miles	Angles	Sdg. Vol.	Sdgs.	Angles
Dec. 1	A	1	4.0	254	1	4	8
7	B	1	5.2	294	1	2	4
8	C	1	6.3	294	1	1	2
11	D	1	4.1	220	1	1	10
29	E	1 & 2	5.2	340	1	3	7
30	F	2	4.1	216	1	3	10
Jan. 13	G	2	2.5	132	1	0	3
15	H	2	6.8	250	1	12	24
16	J	2	4.8	198	1	3	7
19	K	2	3.8	172	1	5	10
20	L	3	2.8	130	1	2	4
23	M	3	2.1	82	1	1	2
24	N	3	1.4	90	-	-	-
26	O	3	1.3	88	1	3	7
27	P	3	3.0	168	1	3	8
29	Q	3	5.0	260	-	-	-
30	R	-	-	-	1	1	3
Feb. 6	S	3	1.5	63	1	2	4
7	t	3	1.7	62	-	-	-
10	U	3 & 4	4.1	216	1	3	7
17	V	4	3.5	140	1	1	2
24	W	4	4.2	206	1	3	6
28	X	4	1.5	70	1	2	4
Mar. 1	Y	4	2.7	166	1	3	6
2	Z	4	2.3	108	1	1	2
5	A'	4	1.3	70	-	-	-
6	B'	4	4.2	186	-	-	-
Total...	27	4	89.4	4435	1	63	140

\*HYDROGRAPHY.

Date	Day	Miles	Sdgs.	Angles.
Feb. 6	A	3.4	72	69

Respectfully submitted

*B. C. Freeman*

Aid, Coast & Geodetic Survey.

Approved

*John A. Daniels*

Assistant, Coast & Geodetic Survey.  
Chief of Party.

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of hydrographic sheet No. 3969

Drawing Section.

Division of Hydro. & Topog.

Division of Charts:

Tidal reductions have been approved\* in  
6 volumes of wire drag record and soundings for

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET 3969

Port Orchard and Port Madison, Puget Sound, Wash.  
J.A. Daniels in 1916-7.

Plane of reference is  
Mean lower low water\* reading

7.5 ft. on the tide staff at Morford, Liberty Bay  
7.3 " " " " " " Madison St., Seattle.

\*Caution:- The reductions were made in the  
field to the old plane of 2 feet below mean  
lower low water; to reduce to the new plane  
of mean lower low water the soundings and  
effective depths must be increased by two feet.

*L. P. Shidy*

Acting Chief, Section of  
Tides and Currents.

## Verification Report of Sheet 3969.

There exists no doubt of the accuracy within the working limits of this sheet being well except. No splits were found except of course where bays were moored. It often happens that an area which was swept at a sufficient depth and no obstacles found was later reswept at a lesser depth. Using short length sections of 400 ft and having (in the case of an 8 section drag) each section set at a different depth varying by 2 ft., adds to the apparent confusion of lines and to the tediousness of verification.

About 200 m. n.e. of Robin Pt. 33° D. F buoy grounded set at 24 ft. The sounding obtained near this point 23" = 33 ft.

The entire drag 192° drag west of Bold in Agate Passage went aground set at 24 ft. The least drag obtained here was 32 ft.

N buoy was noted in the record as "touching" at 19° W when set at 21 ft. Probably a continuation of the shore of 18 ft. 700 m. e.e. of D Out. No sounding was obtained.

Besides the general increase of depths due to change in plane of reference as noted on sheet there were also further tide revisions of 1 ft. due to a difference obtained by the use of reducers at Morford in some cases instead of those at Seattle or vice versa.

Respectfully submitted

Alois B. Bell  
Lieutenant

## Wire Drag Sheet No 3969

Owing to errors in the former area and depth tracing, it was found necessary to prepare a new one.

The protracting on the smooth sheet was not checked except when it was necessary in order to identify positions and in a few doubtful areas, which were entirely replotted.

As the soundings had previously <sup>been</sup> verified, they were not checked.

The subdivision of drag areas has not been accurately done, but was not corrected, as it would require too much time to re-subdivide the entire sheet. Some corrections to the plotting of hook ups and subdivisions were made in pencil on the smooth sheet and used in preparing the area and depth tracing.

The places, to which attention was called in the previous report, were all investigated and settled, except the grounding at pos 19w & 20w, which is left in pencil as this is doubtful and can be finally passed on in the review.

As noted, on the smooth sheet the soundings are shown on the plane of mean lower low water, while the drag depths are two feet below. On the area and depth tracing, both drag depths and soundings are on the plane of mean lower low water.

R. L. Johnston